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request entrance of the amendment and allowance of the subject application.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE.

In the Specification:

The following new paragraph has been added to page 1, before the heading "FILED OF THE INVENTION".

STATEMENT REGARDING FEDERALLY SPONSORED RESEARCH OR  
DEVELOPMENT

The U.S. Government has certain rights in this invention pursuant to grant No. NAS7-1407, awarded by the National Aeronautical and Space Administration.

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